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[AS AMENDED BY THE SELECT COMMITTEE]

TO

Prohibit the sale of Intoxicating Liquors on Sunday in Ireland.

A.D. 1877.

WHEREAS the sale of intoxicating liquors in Ireland is prohibited during certain hours on Sunday, and it will be for the public benefit to extend such prohibition to the whole of that day, and with a view to such extension otherwise to amend
5 the law regulating licensed houses in the manner by this Act provided:

Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the
10 authority of the same, as follows:

Extension of Acts prohibiting sale of intoxicating liquors to the whole of Sunday.

1. All the provisions of any Act now in force whereby the sale or exposing for sale of intoxicating liquors, or the opening or keeping open of any premises for the sale of intoxicating liquors, is prohibited during any hours or times on Sunday, are hereby extended
15 to the whole of Sunday.

Travellers' exemption orders.

2. The licensing justices, on the occasion of any application for a certificate for a new license, or for the transfer or renewal of a license which authorises the sale of any intoxicating liquor for consumption on the premises, upon its being proved to their satisfac-
20 tion that it is necessary or desirable so to do for the accommodation of bonâ fide travellers, may (if they shall think fit) grant to any person so applying for a certificate for a new license, or a transfer or renewal of a license, an order, in this Act termed a travellers' exemption order, exempting such person from the provisions of
25 this Act, so far as the same would apply to the sale of intoxicating liquors by retail to bonâ fide travellers; and nothing in this Act shall be deemed to prohibit the person to whom such exemption or order shall be granted from doing at any time on Sunday any act, matter, or thing, which by the provisions of any Act now in force

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is authorised to be done on Sunday, during the hours or times during which the sale of intoxicating liquors is by such Act prohibited, but the provisions of all Acts relating to the sale of intoxicating liquors by retail in reference to bonâ fide travellers, or authorising or prohibiting the doing of any act, matter, or thing, at any hours or times on Sunday during which the sale of intoxicating liquors is by the said Acts prohibited, shall be construed as if the whole of Sunday were substituted in the said Acts for the hours or times on Sunday therein named: Provided that nothing in the said Acts shall, after the coming into operation of this Act, be construed as authorising any person licensed to sell intoxicating liquor to be consumed on the premises to sell such liquor to bonâ fide travellers, unless such person shall be the holder of such travellers' exemption order; and if any person, except a licensed person to whom such travellers' exemption order shall be granted, sell any intoxicating liquor on Sunday, he shall be deemed to be selling intoxicating liquor in violation of the provisions of this Act.

Penalties for selling of intoxicating liquors during prohibited hours extended to whole of Sunday.

3. All penalties now in force under the provisions of any Act for selling or exposing for sale, or purchasing, or opening, or keeping open any premises for the sale of intoxicating liquors, or being present in or upon any such premises during any hours or times on Sunday, and all provisions of any Acts now in force in reference to such penalties, are hereby extended to any violation of the provisions of this Act.

Supervision of refreshment houses.

4. The provisions of the twentieth section of the Act passed in the session of Parliament held in the twenty-third and twenty-fourth years of the reign of Her present Majesty, chapter one hundred and seven, which authorise any inspector, or superintendent, or serjeant of police, or any county inspector, sub-inspector, head or other constable, to enter at any time between the hours of nine at night and seven in the morning into all houses licensed as refreshment-houses under the authority of the said Act, and into and upon the premises belonging thereto, shall be and the same are hereby extended, so as to apply as well to all the hours of the day as to the time between the hours mentioned in the said section.

Extension of the third section of 35 & 36 Vict c. 94.

5. Any person keeping for sale by retail any intoxicating liquor which he is not licensed to sell by retail, or keeping for sale by retail any intoxicating liquor at any place where he is not authorised by his license to sell the same, shall be subject to the several penalties enacted by the third section of the Licensing Act, 1872, with respect to the offences therein specified; and the provisions of

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the said section shall extend to and include such keeping of intoxicating liquor for sale as aforesaid.

Construction of Act.

6. The Licensing Acts (Ireland), 1872–1874, as amended by this Act, and this Act, shall be construed together as one Act.

Exemptions.

5 **7.** Nothing in this Act shall be construed to apply to sales of intoxicating liquor to lodgers, or to the sale of intoxicating liquor in packet boats, or in canteens in pursuance of any Act regulating the same, or shall preclude the sale at any time at a railway station of intoxicating liquors to persons arriving at or departing from such 10 station by railroad.

Commencement of Act.

8. This Act shall come into operation on the first of October one thousand eight hundred and seventy-seven; provided that nothing herein contained shall prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquor in pursuance of any license now held until the expiration of the period 15 for which such license has been granted.

Short title.

9. This Act may be cited for all purposes as "The Sale of "Liquors on Sunday (Ireland) Act, 1877."

Extension of Act.

10. This Act shall extend to Ireland only.

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